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TAGS: PFOR TD CH

SUBJECT: TRINIDAD AND PRC ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

REF: POS 1351

1. IN A BRIEF PRESS RELEASE ISSUED JUNE 20, THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ANNOUNCED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AT THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL WITH THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA. THE ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THAT THE AGREEMENT HAD BEEN NEGOTIATED IN NEW YORK BY SPECIALLY APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVES. NO MENTION WAS MADE REGARDING POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF EMBASSIES.

2. COMMENT: THIS ANNOUNCEMENT COMES ONLY 13 DAYS AFTER THAT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION (REFTEL). SINCE THE USSR ANNOUNCEMENT

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SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO AN EXCHANGE OF AMBASSADORS AND

SUBSEQUENT ESTABLISHMENT OF EMBASSIES, THE WORDING OF THE PRC ANNOUNCEMENT WOULD IMPLY THAT ACCREDITATION OF NON-RESIDENT AMBASSADORS IS LIKELY. THUS FAR THE ANNOUNCEMENT HAS GENERATED NO PUBLIC COMMENT, OTHER THAN THE LACONIC STATEMENT IN THE MORNING EXPRESS THAT "OUR NEWEST COMMUNIST FRIEND IS CHINA."

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